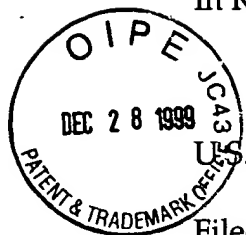


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PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 (a)

Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) for a one-month extension of time to file this response to the Office Action mailed August 18, 1999. The extended period is set to expire on Monday, December 20, 1999. A check in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed to cover the fee for a one-month extension of time.

Please charge any shortages and credit any overages to our Deposit Account No. 02-2666.

Respectfully submitted,

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